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- On information and belief, Cross-defendant admits the allegations of 1. paragraph 1.
- Cross-defendant avers that at all relevant times it was a California corporation, 2. and admits that it is qualified to do business in California and doing business in California.
- Cross-defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a 3. belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 3, and on that basis denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- Cross-defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a 4. belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 4, and on that basis denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- On information and belief, Cross-defendant admits the allegations of 5. paragraph 5.
- On information and belief, Cross-defendant admits the allegations of б. paragraph 6.
  - Cross-defendant admits the allegations of paragraph 7. 7.
  - Cross-defendant denies the allegations of paragraph 8. 8.
- In answer to paragraph 9 of the cross-complaint, Cross-defendant incorporates 9. by reference its responses to the allegations incorporated into said paragraph, as if fully set forth herein.
- Cross-defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a 10. belief as to the truth of the allegations contained in paragraph 10, and on that basis denies each and every allegation contained therein.
- To the extent the allegations in paragraph 11 of the cross-complaint constitute 11. legal conclusions, cross-defendant responds that such allegations are not a proper subject for admission or denial in an answer. To the extent that paragraph 11 contains factual allegations, cross-defendant is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of said allegations, and on that basis denies each and every allegation contained therein.

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- In answer to paragraph 12 of the cross-complaint, Cross-defendant 12. incorporates by reference its responses to the allegations incorporated into said paragraph, as if fully set forth herein.
- Cross-defendant denies the allegations of paragraph 13 as they relate to it, and 13. is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of said allegations as they relate to others, and on that basis denies said allegations.
- To the extent the allegations in paragraph 14 of the cross-complaint constitute 14. legal conclusions, cross-defendant responds that such allegations are not a proper subject for admission or denial in an answer. To the extent that paragraph 14 contains factual allegations, cross-defendant denies said allegations as they relate to it, and is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of said allegations as they relate to others, and on that basis denies said allegations.
- In answer to paragraph 15 of the cross-complaint, Cross-defendant 15. incorporates by reference its responses to the allegations incorporated into said paragraph, as if fully set forth herein.
- Cross-defendant denies the allegations of paragraph 16 as they relate to it, and 16. is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of said allegations as they relate to others, and on that basis denies said allegations.
- On information and belief, Cross-defendant admits the allegations of 17. paragraph 17.
- To the extent the allegations in paragraph 18 of the cross-complaint constitute 18. legal conclusions, cross-defendant responds that such allegations are not a proper subject for admission or denial in an answer. To the extent that paragraph 18 contains factual allegations, cross-defendant denies said allegations as they relate to it, and is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of said allegations as they relate to others, and on that basis denies said allegations.
- Cross-defendant admits the allegations of paragraph 19 as they relate to it, and 19. is without sufficient knowledge or information to form a belief as to the truth of said

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allegations as they relate to others, and on that basis denies said allegations.

- 20. On information and belief, Cross-defendant admits the allegations of paragraph 20.
- 21. On information and belief, Cross-defendant admits the allegations of paragraph 21.
- 22. On information and belief, Cross-defendant admits the allegations of paragraph 22.

## AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

#### FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Cross-complaint and each purported cause of action alleged therein fail to state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action against this answering Cross-defendant.

### SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Cross-complaint and each purported cause of action therein is barred, in whole or in part, by the provisions of the California Code of Civil Procedure beginning with section 335 and continuing through section 349.4, including, but not limited to, sections 335.1, 337, 338, 339, and 340.

#### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Cross-defendant is informed and believes that Cross-complainant's purported damages, if any, as alleged in the Cross-complaint and in each purported cause of action therein, were proximately caused, in whole or in part, by Cross-complainant's own negligence, carelessness or other fault. Because of Cross-complainant's negligent conduct, they are not entitled to any recovery. Alternatively, Cross-complainant's fault should be compared with that of Cross-defendant, if any, and any recovery from Cross-defendant should be reduced in proportion to the fault attributable to Cross-complainant.

## FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Cross-defendant is informed and believes and thereon alleges that Cross-complainant engaged in misconduct and in behavior offensive to equitable principles with respect to the subject matter of Cross-complainant's claims, and that Cross-complainant's Cross-complaint

and each and every cause of action therein are therefore barred by the doctrine of unclean hands.

## FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Cross-defendant is informed and believes that by the exercise of reasonable effort, Cross-complainant could have mitigated the amount of damages, if any, it suffered, but crosscomplainant has failed and refused, and continues to fail and refuse, to exercise reasonable effort to mitigate said damages, if any there were.

## SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Cross-defendant is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each and every cause of action of the Cross-complaint is barred by virtue of the knowing and voluntary waiver by cross-complainant of the rights alleged by it in its Cross-complaint.

#### SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Cross-defendant is informed and believes and thereon alleges that crosscomplainant's claims are barred by laches in that Cross-complainant has unreasonably delayed in asserting them.

## EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Cross-defendant is informed and believes and thereon alleges that each and every cause of action of the Cross-complaint is barred in that cross-complainant, through its conduct, acts, and deeds, caused this answering Cross-defendant to change position and to act to its detriment and prejudice, and cross-complainant is thereby estopped from asserting the claims raised in its Cross-complaint.

#### NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Cross-complainant is barred, in whole or in part, from obtaining the relief it seeks in the Cross-complaint because it would be unjustly enriched if such relief were awarded.

## TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Without conceding that cross-complainant has been damaged or injured, Crossdefendant is entitled to offset and recoup against any recovery had against it or any judgment that may be entered against it and in favor of cross-complainant, all obligations owed by

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### PROOF OF SERVICE

I am employed in the County of Contra Costa, State of California. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within action. My business address is 100 North Wiget Lane, Suite 150, Walnut Creek, California 94598.

On the date entered below, I served the within:

# 1. FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE COMPANY'S ANSWER TO CROSS-COMPLAINT OF COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.

on the parties in said action by placing a true copy thereof as indicated below, addressed as follows:

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foregoing is true and correct.

DATED: April 11, 2008

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